

## Osage Valley Banner.

Thursday, January 16, 1879.

We publish in this issue all the leading points and portion that is of importance to our readers, of Gov. Phelps' message to the General Assembly.

Now as the Government says gold, silver or greenbacks, without premium on either the most people prefer greenbacks.

In an other column can be seen the prospectus of the New York Sun. It is in fact an excellent paper, full of the news of all parts of the country, condensed in a most comprehensive manner.

—Mrs. Anderson, who is attempting the feat of walking 2,700 quarter-miles in 2,700 consecutive quarter-hours in Brooklyn, completed the 1,540th quarter-mile the first of last week.

—One of the finest church edifices in the West, the second Baptist church of St. Louis, costing over \$100,000, was destroyed by fire week before last.

**ILLUSTRATIONS BY PICTURES.**—One of the great contrasts between the School Books used by the fathers and mothers of the land, when young, and those now used by the children, is the use of pictures. As a curious instance of illustrating the meaning of words by pictures, look at the three pictures of a Ship on page 1761 of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary.—these alone illustrate the meaning of more than one hundred words and terms far better than they can be defined by any description in words.

### "Guilty"

John Maguire, who murdered Charles Brown in Jefferson City last September, was found guilty of murder in the first degree, by the jury empaneled by the Cole Circuit court last week. Maguire is the first man to draw the halter in this circuit, to our recollection, for many years, and no doubt if the opportunity is afforded, a large number of people will witness his parting scene.

The Tribune says Maguire is probably fifty years of age, and if he has a history he keeps it to himself; is a determined looking man, with a very bad countenance, a restless blue eye, with nothing of the bravado about him, but just such a man as one involuntarily characterizes as a "bad citizen."

There is no doubt Maguire has received his just verdict, and it is not probable he will be able to have a new trial or clemency granted him.

LATER—Maguire is sentenced to be hanged on the 23rd of next month.

### From Our St.

JEFFERSON CITY, Jan. 12, '78.—We arrived at this place last eve, 6 p. m., on passing Locust Mound the much esteemed old friend H. M. Belshe, P. M.; Dr. Jordan, P. M. at Hickory Hill and Judge C. Arnold, P. M. at Brinkley all acknowledged the receipt of the "Banner," and gave us glad and happy congratulations on the New Year's enterprise! Also Wm. Lomplins School Commissioner, gave us greater eulogistic plaudits than, perhaps, we are entitled to; all of which we fail to have language to express our sincere thanks. On our arrival in this city, the capital of the Great State of Mo., our friends in large numbers hailed our arrival with much joy, by surrounding us on High street, lifting us from our saddle; one taking "Dolla Varden" to the hitching post, others bearing our weary body to the "Neef House" where there was a large concourse of warm hearted friends, with whom we passed half hour in a most pleasant manner; toast after toast for the old "Gray Eagle" of the "Osage Valley Banner," improvement of Osage river, gravel roads and Jefferson City, the capital of Mo., were all well and enthusiastically wined and cheered. Speaking of Jefferson City, it fills our soul with joy, when we rise to the summit of the "Napton Hill" on which Gen'l J. L. Smith, and H. Clay Ewing reside in their beautifully and tastefully erected palaces, and take a birds eye view of the city, in which we have resided near forty one years; built upon seven hills fronting the majestic Missouri river, like unto the renowned city of Rome. Many of these hills were covered with forest timber when we first knew them; now the forest residences, State, County, and other Public buildings adorn and beautify their summits and slopes; when we meet with the old inhabitants, who settled these "hills" as pioneers, such as Judge Miller, P. T. Miller, Shiff, Waggoner, Dull, Kolkmeier, Gen'l Edwards, Capt. Rogers, Dr. T. Mathews and many others of later date, who have grown up with us, the feeling of happiness that thrills our old frame when we meet such, to shake hands and congratulate each other on the advent of a New Year, 79, words fail to give an expression of the emotions of our feelings of joy; the nearest we can come at it is; we thank God for the innumerable blessings and pray we may meet another New Year.

We have not had the pleasure of meeting with members of the Gen'l Assembly, but learn that the gearing will be put on to several committees next week and the whole machine move, onward in the way of making and unmaking laws for the dear people.

The several candidates for U. S. Senate with their friends are keeping things lively about the city.

By the time we write again, hope to be able to interview members and others on the subjects of Osage river improvement and gravel roads.

—The Warsaw Times says the Artisan well at Lincoln, Benton county, has proved a decided success. The water is sweet, pure

and good, and in ample quantity. The company owning it is to be incorporated.

### SEVERE WINTERS.

The summer of 1878, when, for a time, men were stricken down by scores daily by the exceptional heat, will long be remembered, and now it appears probable that the present winter will be equally memorable for the intensity of its "cold snaps." Hitherto these have not lasted long—for three days at a time at the utmost—but the temperature was then lower than it has been for some years. But even if the present visitation should fail for any length of time, we have the authority of M. R. non, a very learned Frenchman, to comfort us for the future. From his observations he arrived at the conclusion that the extremes of cold weather are encountered about every fortieth year, and he supports his theory by referring to the winters of 1700, 1749, 1789, 1830 and 1870. These points are taken from Europe only, but the general laws of climatology do not differ so widely in different quarters of the globe as to deprive us of the hope that, if he is right, and his doctrine applies approximately to America, we shall not be called upon to endure an equal amount of shivering for many years to come. For the future, our Signal Service Bureau will supply a mass of statistics, from which scientific men will be enabled to formulate a general law governing the variations of temperature in every section of the continent; but, for some time to come, we shall be compelled to search the records of the other side of the Atlantic for the most accurate statements of the lowest point reached by the thermometer in the distant past.

### St. Louis Market.

January 13th, 1879.  
Wheat, No 2 red, 93¢; Corn, mixed No 2 at 29¢; Oats, No. 2, 24¢; Rye, No. 2, 42¢; Cattle, active, native shipping steers, 1400 to 1,550 lbs., \$4.40 to \$4.60; light and fair, 1,050 to 1,250 lbs., \$3.20 to 4.00; butchers steers fair to good 900 to 1,100 lbs., \$2.80 to 3.20. Hogs, easier and weaker, light shipping \$2.65 to 2.90. Lard \$8.75. Potatoes 50¢ to 65¢. Butter, prime and strictly choice 15 to 16¢. Eggs 10 to 11¢. Sorghum 18 to 25¢ per gal. Dried apples 2 to 3¢ per lb. Dried peaches 2 to 3¢ per lb. Navy beans \$1.35 per bu.; Fava, active and firm, other No. 1, \$3 to 3.50 No. 2, \$2 to 2.50, No. 3, 75¢ to \$1; No. 4, 25 to 50¢; Mink No. 1, 35 to 40¢, No. 2, 25 to 30¢, No. 4, 10¢; Raccoon No. 1, 50 to 60¢; No. 2, 30 to 40¢; No. 3, 25 to 30¢. Skunk, black 70 to 75¢; short-stripe 40 to 50¢; narrow stripe 25 to 30¢; broad 10 to 15¢. Deer skins 15 to 17¢.

### The Indian Butchery.

[From the N. Y. Herald.]  
OMAHA, Neb., Jan. 6.—Telegraphic advices received from Military Headquarters, Department of the Platte, furnish details of the bloody affair at Camp Robinson. Capt. Wessels, who was intrusted with the duty of transporting the Cheyennes to Ft. Leavenworth, states briefly, in a telegram from Camp Robinson, that the Indians broke out the windows of the room in which they were confined at ten o'clock last night, and overpowering the guard, which had been doubled as an extra precaution, killed one soldier, mortally wounded another and injured others. The Cheyennes in some manner had secreted a few old revolvers, which were used. The cavalry immediately rallied from the barracks, and the Indians declined to surrender, fired into them killing thirty. The others retreated, the cavalry pursuing. A later dispatch from Lieut. Johnson reports that Capt. Wessels is still out with cavalry in pursuit. About forty bucks were killed, this nearly exterminates them.

### Miscellaneous.

A young lady residing near Salem attempted to commit suicide one day last week, by taking strichnine, but was saved by the timely arrival of a physician. It is supposed that a broken marriage engagement caused her to commit the rash act.—Rolla Herald.

"The girls of our day are very badly educated," said one of the members of a committee on education to the B. shop of Gloucester. "Taste very true," retorted his lordship; "however, there's one consolation—the boys never find it out."

As indicative of how complete a success resumption is likely to be, the Washington Star says: "The indications are thickening all along the line that not only are greenbacks to rank at par in the future, but that they are to be preferred to gold."

President Hayes and his wife go to church simply dressed and without any "pomp of circumstance." Many curious eyes follow them, however, and many small services are offered. It is credited that on a recent Sunday a gentleman sitting behind the official pew took out his handkerchief and carefully brushed the rain drops from the President's coat collar.

Mrs. Jenks has written a letter to the Modern Argo, in which she says that the "perfume-laden breezes of the sunny South high over many an unknown hero and political martyr who stoically met their fate or whose souls went out in their last despairing cry for mercy, and whose bones to-day are bleaching in the lonely woods and dreary swamps of Louisiana, Mississippi and South Carolina."

There will be five colored Democrats in the next Texas Legislature. There are two colored Republicans in the Alabama Legislature, and one of them has been arrested for stealing from the other. The Georgia Legislature contains two negroes, one of whom was seated by the Democratic House over a Democrat. They voted for Gordon, as most

of the colored legislators in South Carolina voted for Hampton.

Gen. Gardfield is, by common consent, regarded as the strongest debater in the house of Representatives. Hooker, of Mississippi, is the most polished orator. Eugene Hale, of Maine, and S. S. Cox, of New York, are the ready orators. Kelly, Swing and Chittenden are the financial orators. Gen. Banks and Saylor, of Ohio, are the authorities on Parliamentary law. Springer is the irrepressible orator. Everett and Bayne, of Pennsylvania, are the silent orators, and F. of Maine, is one of the orators.

We are requested to give notice that there will be a meeting of the prosecuting attorneys of the State of Missouri, in Jefferson City, on the 23d of January, to consider the needed changes in the State criminal code, and means to promote its uniform and more successful administration.—K. C. Times.

A Jefferson City special to the St. Louis Star in speaking of the State treasury says it will be found to be all right and every dollar accounted for. It is of course short \$286,000 of the \$500,000 in the Martin Bank at the time of its failure. The sale of the water bonds realized \$300,000.

Col. Burns, and every cent of the amount in the State National Bank, at the time of its failure, good. He deposited \$206,000, the last installment of this, in the Treasury on the last day of December. On the first day of January there were about \$30,000 in warrants, and these because they were not presented, unperfected. The Treasury will hereafter and for the next two years pay every warrant as it is drawn. There is now in the Treasury over \$400,000, with all claims against the State paid and liquidated. This never happened before in the history of the State. If the bill of the Martin Bank were in the Treasury the balance cash on hand on the 21 day of January, 1879, would not be less than \$700,000. Col. Gates and Burns will make good the Martin Bank deficit and the State will not lose a dollar. They may want a little time, however, in which to do so.

### "The Noble Red Man."

YANKTON, Jan. 11.—A special from the Cheyenne River Agency on the Missouri river says two runners from Sitting Bull's camp have just arrived and make the following report: Their camp is now on a little river near the United States boundary. Twenty-five days ago they held the largest council ever held by the hostile, and decided to send out twelve runners, five to Standing Rock, two to Cheyenne, three to Spotted Tail and two to Red Cloud. As representatives of the hostile bands which belong to these agencies, they say we are willing to come in, and surrender our horses and arms and submit to the agency rules if we are guaranteed protection by the government. The traders in British America have used every measure to keep us there. If it had not been for them we would have come in with Gen. Terry. A council will be held here to-morrow by the agents.

### DISCRIMINATION.

There was a worthy little boy  
Whose name was Thomas Hood;  
He was as poor as poor can be  
But he was very good.  
There was another little boy  
Whose name was Jonas Ladd,  
And though his father rolled in wealth  
The boy was very bad.  
When Christmas came and Santa Claus  
Went hovering about,  
Bad Jonas got his fill of tuck—  
Good Thomas went without.

### "SOJERING."

He was a clever printer man—  
Upon a stool he sat,  
And calmly watched the copy hook  
And gobbled up the fat.  
The hook was awful lean that night,  
And with a purpose naughty  
He hemmed and hawed and slugged away,  
And sojered like all forty.  
He heard the paragraphist say:  
"A poem have I writ—  
The editor now scans it o'er,  
'Twill be here in a bit!"  
The printer-man joyed in his soul,  
His heart was happy, very—  
He hemmed and hawed and slugged away  
And sojered all so merry.  
Alas, that poem all so fair  
Come not his string to save—  
It climbed the golden basket's rim  
And found an early grave.  
But still he sojered—injured on,  
Nor stayed for this nor that,  
For who can turn the printer's soul  
When sojering for fat?  
The paper went to press, and still  
Upon his stool he sat  
And hemmed and hawed and slugged away  
A sojer, as for fat.

### Send the Bill to My Husband.

Realize, my reader, says a New York paper, the anguish of a lady compelled to stand by another lady wearing larger diamonds than her own, or more potent lace, ors longer train. What will the world think, as under the chandelier this painful contrast comes out? Such moments of deep humiliation cause sleepless nights, and the next day results in bills that become as criminal indictments to poor, over-worked men. Under the impulse of such trying scenes as these, many a matron has gone forth on Broadway with firm lips and eyes in which glowed inexorable purpose, and placed upon her arms or fingers, that might have helped her husband forward, the gems that would be milestones about his neck.

There are many phases of heroism, but if

you want your breath taken away, go to a leading and fashionable store and see some large-souled woman, who will not even count the cost, or realize the dire consequences, but like some martyr of the past who will show to the world the object of his faith though the heavens fall, she marches to the counter, selects the costliest jewels, and says, in tones of majesty,—  
"Send the bill to my husband!" Ex.

### Past Recollections of Texas.

[For the OSAGE VALLEY BANNER.]  
The night bird's "music," sweet, and clear;  
Is over pictured not a leaflet;  
A search might prove to the enchanted ear,  
The habitation of a beetle.  
And oft at night the sentinel,  
Who, dawning, dreams of distant battle;  
Is roused in fright to hear the cry,  
Of Ingins who have "napped" the cattle.  
As desert, mountain, rock and sand,  
Comprise the topographic features;  
There's a little left at my command,  
Except to paint the living creatures.  
In point of energy and action,  
The Apaches are the head men;  
And so, in fairness I commence,  
To tell you something of the n-o-b-l-e red men.  
Each mountain chain contains a hive,  
Of these marauding sons of thunder;  
Who somehow manage and contrive,  
To live upon muscle and plunder.  
From towering crags they watch the route,  
O'er which a train is slowly creeping,  
And with a wild blood-curdling shout,  
Across the desert they come sweeping.  
[Continued in next.]

### THE SUN FOR 1879.

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While the lessons of the past should be constantly kept before the people, THE SUN does not propose to make itself in 1879 a magazine of ancient history. It is printed for the men and women of to-day, whose concern is chiefly with the affairs of to-day. It has both the disposition and the ability to afford its readers the promptest, fullest, and most accurate intelligence of whatever in the wide world is worth attention. To this end the resources belonging to well-established prosperity will be liberally employed.

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